What Is Sexual Assault?

- An intentional sexual contact, characterized by use of force, physical threat or abuse of authority, or when the victim does not or cannot consent
- Includes rape, nonconsensual sodomy, indecent assault or attempts to commit these acts
- Sexual assault is a crime punishable under the Uniform Code of Military Justice
- Sexual assault can occur without regard to gender, spousal relationship or age of victim
- Sexual assault is criminal conduct
- It falls well short of the standards America expects of its men and women in uniform
- It violates US Army Core Values

Sexual Assault Statistics

- 1 out of every 3 American women will be sexually assaulted in her lifetime
- 1 in 7 will be raped by her husband
- About 10% of victims are male
 - In Arkansas, 20% are male
- 78% of victims know their attacker
 - In the Army, 90% know their attacker
- 75% of male and 55% of female students involved in acquaintance rape had been drinking or using drugs
 - In the US Army , 80% involve alcohol or drugs
- 16% of rapes are ever reported to police (1 in 10 women/1 in 25 men)
 - In the US Army, the statistic is unknown

Useful Numbers/Resources

Pine Bluff Arsenal Sexual Assault

Prevention & Response Office 870-540-3588

DOD Sexual Assault www.sapr.mil

Military OneSource 1-800-464-8107

www.armyonesource.com

User ID: army Password: onesource

Rape Crisis Centerwww.rapecrisis.comPros Atty's Ofc:870-541-5387

JRMC 24-Hour Hotline 870-541-7100

(Secondary)

UAMS Medical Center

Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner 501-686-7925 Emergency Room 501-686-6337

Medical Assistance

Post Clinic Referral only Humana (TriCare) 1-800-406-2832

Mental Health Assistance

PBA Family Advocacy 870-540-3220 LRAFB Life Skills 501-987-7338 LRAFB SARC 501-987-2697

Post Legal Assistance 870-540-3131

PBA Law Enforcement

Security 870-540-3505 Operations Center (off duty hrs) 870-540-2700

Local Prosecutor's Office

Victim/Witness Coordinator 870-541-5384

Emergency Shelters

CASA 870-535-0287

Office of the Attorney General 1-800-482-8982

Crime Victim's Assistance www.ag.state.ar.us

Arkansas Coalition Against

Sexual Assault (ACASA) www.acasa.ws

Rape & Incest National Network www.rainn.org

Pine Bluff Arsenal

Sexual Assault Prevention & Response Office (SAPRO)

Sexual Assault Hotline 540-2700

Mr. Jerry Pye Sexual Assault Response Coordinator 16-270 Fleming Dr Pine Bluff Arsenal, AR 71602 870-540-3588/DSN: 966-3588

Types of Reporting

Restricted Report

- Enables military members to report allegations of sexual assault to specified personnel, without triggering an investigation. Specified personnel include the SARC, a healthcare provider, trained Victim Advocate or chaplain
- Provides confidential reporting
- Allows access to medical care, counseling and a victim advocate but does not initiate the investigative process
- Intended to give the victim additional time and increased control over the release and management of the victim's personal information
- Empowers the victim to seek relevant information and support to make an informed decision about participating in the criminal process
- Family members, civilians and retired members are not eligible to make a restricted report

Unrestricted Report

- Any report of a sexual assault made through normal reporting channels which includes the victim's chain of command, law enforcement, and other criminal investigative service
- The SARC will be notified and assign a victim advocate to the individual
- Details of the allegation will be provided only to those personnel who have a legitimate need to know

Independent Report

- Information about a sexual assault is disclosed to command from an independent or third-party source
- An official investigation may be initiated based upon an independent report

You Don't Have to Be Alone

If you have been a victim of sexual assault, REMEMBER....

- 1. The assault was NOT your fault. You did not cause it to happen. It is solely the fault of your perpetrator.
- 2. People are here to help. We are committed to supporting you and your family members in the most sensitive and private way possible.
- 3. There is no "right way" in dealing with sexual assault. Get angry and stand up for yourself. Let the SARC/Victim Advocate put you in touch with all the resources and assistance available to you.
- 4. Take care of yourself and ask for what you need. Before washing or cleaning up, seek medical attention.

Guidelines for Reporting

- Immediately report any assault
- Never hesitate to get help
- Do not bathe or clean up
- Do not change your clothes
- Do not brush your teeth or use mouthwash
- Do not use the bathroom, but if you must, save your voided urine for testing
- Do not eat or drink anything
- Do not take or apply any type of medication to any injuries
- Do not disturb or clean up the crime scene

You Are A SURVIVOR!

Victim Advocate Program

US Army Victim Advocates provide essential support, liaison services and care to a sexual assault victim.

Victim Advocates are active-duty military personnel and DoD civilian employees selected by the SARC and who have completed a 40-hour training course.

Victim Advocates are volunteers who must possess the maturity and experience to assist in very sensitive situations.

Responsibilities include:

- Providing crisis intervention, referral and ongoing non-clinical support
- Providing information on available options and resources to assist the victim in making informed decisions about the case
- Services will continue until the victim states support is no longer needed
- Does NOT provide counseling or other professional services to a victim
- May accompany the victim, at the victim's request, during investigative interviews and medical examinations

Become a Volunteer

The US Army core values and respect are the foundation of our Soldier culture – a culture in which we look out for each other and take care of each other. Incidents of sexual assault corrode the very fabric of our Soldier culture; therefore, we must strive for an environment where this type of behavior is not tolerated and where all Soldiers are respected.

For more information on becoming a Victim Advocate, please contact our office at 540-3220.